

HARDING FIGURES ON PLANS FOR U.S. TROOPS ON RHINE

More Definite Policy Than
That of Wilson Admin-
istration Probable.

DECISION COMING SOON

France's Inquiries on Modi-
fied League Said to Be
Welcomed.

ROOT LIKELY TO BE SENT

Observer at Geneva to Note
Proceedings at Next Meet-
ing Being Considered.

WASHINGTON, March 10.—As the new
Administration settles down to a work-
ing basis both President Harding and
his chief advisers are giving increasing
attention to the country's foreign re-
lations.

The situation of the American troops
on the Rhine is one subject which has
been brought forcibly to the attention
of the new President by the recent ad-
vance of the allied forces into Ger-
many. The only announcement made
here has been that the State and War
departments were in accord with the
policy of the previous Administration
in so far as it provided for non-parti-
cipation in the allied advance, and
that on the other hand withdrawal of
the American army was not immedi-
ately under consideration.

Officials are in close touch with de-
velopments, however, and a more defi-
nite policy probably will be predicated
upon them during the next few weeks.

Related in some degree to the Rhine
situation is the question of American
participation in a modified League of
Nations. To-day's despatches from
Paris saying the French Embassy here
was reported to have approached the
State Department on the subject were
the first public intimation that negotia-
tions regarding the league had been re-
ceived and that the general attitude of
officials indicated that conversations had
not yet passed beyond a preliminary
stage.

Harding Would Welcome Move.

There was every evidence, however,
that such a move on the part of the
Paris Government would fit in with
President Harding's own notions of how
the subject should be approached. It has
been the understanding among those
close to Mr. Harding that he not only
has hoped for a frank expression from
the other Governments concerned, but
has planned to feel them out informally
early in his Administration. If the ex-
pectations of some Administration offi-
cials are fulfilled a considerable period
of informal conversations will ensue be-

Harmony With Harding Is Predicted by Briand

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New York Herald Bureau,
London, March 10.
PREMIER BRIAND was asked
by a reporter for The New
York Herald to-night whether it
was true that he had received
encouraging reports of Ambas-
sador Jusserand's first contact
with President Harding's Admin-
istration.

"I am very sure it may well
be true," the Premier added.
"We always count on the friend-
ship of the United States. We
know the personalities in the
new Administration and we are
sure we will agree."

In high French quarters the
utmost confidence is placed in
the outcome of the special mis-
sion of Rene Viviani, one time
Premier of France, to the United
States.

fore the stage of actual diplomatic inter-
changes is reached.

Whether the President intends to send
representatives to Europe, accredited of-
ficially or unofficially, has not been
revealed. Speculation about the capital has turned
toward the presumption that he will do
so, and even has busied itself with
guesses about the men most likely to be
selected for such a mission. In this
gossip the name of Elihu Root frequently
has been mentioned, but any sort of
official confirmation has been refused by
Mr. Root or any one else in the name
of the President's closest official aids do not
know of it.

One plan that is said to have been
urged upon Mr. Harding would provide
for the dispatch of an emissary to es-
tablish a listening post at the next
meeting of the League of Nations at
Geneva the coming summer, and later
to make a canvass of sentiment in all
the European capitals. If that is done
it is expected that at the same time the
embassies and legations here will be
asked to lay on the table whatever in-
formation they have as to the attitude
of the governments of that out of
the whole inquiry a series of formal
negotiations may eventually be evolved.
Some of the highest officials of the
Administration believe it still is
early to forecast toward what objective
these negotiations might point—whether
they would contemplate a modification
of the present league or make it ac-
ceptable or the establishment of an en-
tirely new international structure for
peace. It is understood that they would
be undertaken with a confidence that
the interchange of opinion would solve
that question satisfactorily.

So far as diplomatic appointments
are concerned, it was said authoritatively
to-day that no final selections had been
made, but that in several cases the
field of availability was narrowing
toward a decision. The nearest ap-
proach to an actual choice is under-
stood to be Myron T. Herrick of Ohio
for Ambassador to France, a post from
which he resigned early in the first
Wilson Administration. Another who
is regarded as certain to return to the
service is Henry Lane Wilson of Indi-
ana, former Ambassador to Mexico,
who is mentioned most often in con-
nection with the Ambassadorship to Italy.
The question of Mexican relations
hinges upon the ability of the new ad-
ministration of President Obregon to
establish a regime that will win Ameri-
can recognition.

It Will Go to Mexico.

Just what the requirements for such
recognition should be is occupying the
study of officials, and it is possible some
pointed intimations on the subject may
go forward soon to Mexico City. Much
as the White House and the State De-
partment hope for a full restoration of

diplomatic relations with the southern
republic there is little evidence of con-
fidence that a formal recognition may be
possible in the near future.

President Harding discussed the Mexi-
can problem to-day with R. B. Cragger
of Texas, who has been suggested for
Ambassador to Mexico in case of ulti-
mate recognition, and later Mr. Cragger
had a talk with Under Secretary
Fletcher of the State Department, him-
self a former Ambassador at Mexico
City. No announcement followed the
conference, but the impression was
given that conditions to be required for
recognition were under earnest discus-
sion.

Col. George Harvey, Cornelius Van-
derbilt of New York and several others
have been put forward for the Ambas-
sadorship to London, while Charles H.
Sherrill of New York, former Minister
to Argentina, and David Jayne Hill of
New York, former Ambassador to Ger-
many, and many others have been called
to Mr. Harding's attention as avail-
able for any of the big diplomatic posts.

South and Central America present
fields that the President is understood
to regard as deserving some of the best
diplomatic talent available. His friends
expect him to name some of the most
able men of the whole service to posts
in this continent, but so far the canvass
of available talent is far from a decisive stage.
A few of the present diplomatic repre-
sentatives, including Ambassador Mor-
gan at Rio Janeiro, may be retained.

Just as he kept his Cabinet slate more
or less tentative until almost the last
moment, Mr. Harding is keeping himself
free from definite commitments regard-
ing diplomatic posts in the belief that
shifts may be necessary here and there
that will necessitate a rearrangement
of a large part of his list. It is under-
stood that he desires to be more or less
familiar with the whole field of avail-
able men before he makes any definite
tenders and that he feels there is no
cloud on the diplomatic horizon threat-
ening enough to force hasty action.

ALFONSO MARCHES IN FUNERAL OF PREMIER

Three Cyclists Arrested on
Suspicion of Murder.

MADRID, March 10.—The funeral of
Eduardo Dato, the Spanish Premier, was
held to-day. The body was conveyed to
the Chamber of Deputies and later taken
to the San Isidro Cemetery. The coffin
was an unpretentious one.

King Alfonso was the object of loyal
demonstrations during the funeral pro-
cession, in which he marched on foot
behind the body of the Premier. During
the procession a stop for a brief requiem
was made at the Pantheon.

At the invitation of King Alfonso that
Senora Dato make some request of the
widow of the Premier has asked
for the pardon of four men condemned
to death for the assassination of two
civil guards. The men were to have
been executed in a few days.

Three men who were riding motor-
cycles were arrested to-day at Espinar,
near Segovia, on suspicion of having
been concerned in the murder of the
Premier.

SEWER DROWNS CHILD IN SIGHT OF MOTHER

Montreal Girl Stumbles Into
Manhole and Is Swept Away.

MONTREAL, March 10.—While Mrs.
Joseph Manning was crossing St. Jan-
street with her two little daughters, the
elder, Lily, 8 years old, stumbled and
fell into an open manhole in full view
of the frantic mother. The child
plunged head first and was swept away
by the rushing water, four feet deep at
that place.

A man who saw the accident ran to
the next manhole, a short distance away,
climbed down and waited to snatch the
child if she was swept by, but his effort
was in vain.

WILSON'S ARMENIAN BOUNDARY SET ASIDE

Decisions in Near East Are Un-
satisfactory to Greece, but
Are Accepted.

STRAITS MUST BE FREE

Report That Allies Will Get
Out of Constantinople Is
Thought Exaggerated.

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The ninth peace conference ended to-
night with everybody save the Germans
and the Greeks happy. However, the
Greeks have decided to accept the allied
decisions on a settlement of the Near
Eastern questions. These decisions will
be officially conveyed to the Grecian
and Turkish delegates at a meeting to
be held in St. James's Palace Saturday.
Reuter's agency to-night says the de-
cisions are:

1. The evacuation of Constantinople by
the Allies.
2. The inclusion of the Turks in the
control of the Straits of the Dardanelles.
3. The internationalization of Thrace.
4. Gallipoli to Greece.

5. Autonomy for Smyrna, with Greek
supremacy in administration, while
the port of Smyrna will be free to Turk-
ish commerce.

THE NEW YORK HERALD correspondent
here is informed, however, that the first
three of these Reuter statements are
exaggerated.
In other well informed quarters here
to-night it was said that the settlement
calls for Turkish sovereignty in Smyrna,
the vilayet to be governed by a Chris-
tian Governor who need not necessarily
be a Greek but who probably will be
appointed by the League of Nations. The
autonomous feature of the settlement
is that the vilayet shall be divided
into zones of administration on a scheme
of self-determination by the inhabitants
of each zone.

Greek Rights Preserved.

The Allies have made it plain to the
Turkish envoys that they will make no
concessions unless both factions in Tur-
key—both the Constantinople adherents
of the Sultan and the Nationalists under
Mustapha Kemal Pasha—show a
willingness to meet them half way.

There is no doubt that the Allies
have decided to establish a real Turkey,
with the French getting out of Cilicia
and the Greeks making concessions in
Smyrna. But the British, it was as-
serted, are holding firmly for the freedom
of the Straits without Turkish influence
there and have determined not to open
the question of Thrace.

The fact that the Greeks have agreed
to accept the settlement provisionally,
subject to minor modifications, also
makes the report of the decision to in-
ternationalize Thrace and that relating
to the strengthening of the Turks on
the Straits regarded by competent ob-
servers as improbable.

One thing, however, is obvious, and
that is that the Armenian boundary out-
lined by Mr. Wilson has probably gone
to the board.

THE NEW YORK HERALD correspondent
is authoritatively informed that the set-
tlement envisages nothing less than

Turkish sovereignty over Smyrna, with
the Greeks maintaining commercial and
other rights there by means of Greek
and other foreign officers for a Turkish
gendarmerie. The same agreement prac-
tically has been reached between the
French and the Turkish Nationalists in
connection with Cilicia.

Premier Briand said to-night there
was no doubt the Turks would accept
the decisions by the Allies.
"Why not?" he asked. "Mustapha
Kemal Pasha is assured a position as
the head of a great, a real Turkish
State."

The Turkish delegates, however,
will go to Ankara, while the Greeks
will return to Athens to consult their
respective Governments before finally
accepting or rejecting the scheme.
Therefore for the formal ratification
of these decisions the ninth conference will
have to be succeeded by a tenth.

Turks Are Optimistic.

By the Associated Press.
LONDON, March 10.—"We are much
nearer peace," said Nakhid Roshad Bey,
at the close of the to-day's conference
between the Turks and the Supreme
Council. "Peace with France will be
signed in a few days. All outstanding
questions between the Turks and the
Allies, with the exception of Smyrna
and Thrace, are practically settled. Re-
garding the latter we are waiting the
conference that our mandate did not
permit us to compromise with the
Greeks. We adhere to the proposal that
a commission be sent to determine the
ratio of populations, the result of which
we are sure will favor us."

The Turkish delegates declare that
among other things they induced the
Allies to agree to the appointment of the
Constantinople Financial Commis-
sion and give them also another mem-
ber of that body to increase the army,
which was limited to 35,000 by the
Treaty of Sevres, to 75,000; evacuate
Constantinople; abolish the zone in the
straits established by the treaty; the
Allies maintaining one position there,
and give the Turks free access to the
European and Asiatic coasts, with lib-
erty to construct defenses at Constanti-
nople, including the rebuilding of the
Tchataja line.

NEW CARDINALS ARE RECEIVED BY PONTIFF

Three Assume Dignities Con-
ferred by Pope.

ROME, March 10.—Three of the new
Cardinals were formally received into
the Sacred College to-day. Archbishops
Dennis J. Dougherty of Philadelphia,
Josef Schulte of Cologne and Michael
von Faulhaber of Munich, assumed in
full the dignities conferred on them by
Pope Benedict.

After the Pope had seated himself on
the throne members of the Cardinale
ranged themselves around him in the
order of seniority. The three new Car-
dinals received the embrace and wel-
coming kiss from each member of the
Sacred College and were conducted to
the foot of the throne, where they again
kneled. The two Masters of Ceremonies
threw over their heads the purple
"capa magna," the Pope holding the
Cardinal's biretta over the head of
each prelate for several moments, re-
peating the words of presentation. The
ceremony closed with the Pausal benediction.

Archbishop Dougherty returned to the
American College, where he received
many friends during the afternoon. One
of the last callers was a Papal Mon-
signor, who brought to the Cardinal the
red hat.

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Dougherty to the Congregation of the
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